

MINISTER GUILTY; SEVERE PENALTY

Rev. Eli Tartt, of Petersburg,
Sentenced to Pay \$25 and
Go to Jail.

WHEELHOUSE TO JAIL

Young Man Who Killed Uncle
in Pistol Duel to Answer
Charge of Homicide.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
PETERSBURG, VA., September 7.—
The hearing of the Rev. Eli Tartt,
acting pastor of the Harrison Street
Colored Baptist Church, on a warrant
charging him with assaulting and
threatening J. H. Mason, the librarian
of the church, with a pistol, occupied
the time of the Police Court for three
hours today. Tartt was fined \$25
and given a jail sentence of thirty
days, from which he took an appeal.
He was required to give bond in the
sum of \$250 to answer the appeal in
the higher court, and was also placed
under a \$200 bond to keep the peace
and be of good behavior for twelve
months.

The testimony of Mason, the complainant, was that while alone in the
office of Attorney T. C. Johnson, on
Monday last, where he is employed,
Rev. Tartt entered excitedly, and draw-
ing a pistol from his pocket, pointed
it at him and declared he would kill
him. He was close enough to Tartt to
see the balls in the cylinder of the
pistol. He had some difficulty with
Tartt on the previous Saturday.

Tartt did not go on the stand and
testify, but he introduced his wife and
other women living in his house to dis-
prove Mason's evidence. They swore
that Tartt did not leave his house on
the day of the alleged assault. On the
contrary, witnesses for the State swore
that they saw Tartt on the street on
that day, and one of them declared he
saw Tartt come out of Johnson's office.
Thus, in the opinion of the court, the
claim was not proved. The case was
elaborately argued by Davis
& Davis, for the accused, and by
R. H. Mann, Commonwealth's attorney,
for the prosecution. The courtroom
was crowded by the respective friends
of the two factions in the church, and
many stood outside, unable to gain ad-
mission. The case is one that has
aroused great interest among the col-
ored people of the city, and among
the whites also, because of the
serious troubles that have occurred in
the church and which threaten its dis-
ruption.

On Monday morning Judge West, of
Sussex county, in the absence of Judge
Mullen, of the Hustings Court of Pe-
tersburg, will hear argument on the
motion to be made in behalf of Tartt
and others to so modify the decree
entered by Judge Mullen as to allow
the women members of the church to
vote at the meeting of the congrega-
tion to be held Monday night to settle
the factional troubles, and to sustain
or reject Pastor Tartt and his ac-
tions. This meeting is looked forward
to with great interest. The feeling be-
tween the two factions is very bitter.

In his speech Commonwealth At-
torney Mann was very severe in his
criticism of Tartt's conduct.

Charged With Homicide.
Richard Wheelhouse, who some
weeks ago killed his uncle, John
Wheelhouse, in a closely fought pistol
duel on West Washington Street, and
who himself was so desperately wound-
ed that his life was almost despaired of
for a time, has recovered, and was to-
day discharged from the hospital and
taken to jail to answer the charge of
homicide. The young man's life was
saved by the operation of laparotomy.

Personal Notes.
Mr. E. H. Patterson was last evening
elected a member of the Common
Council from Third Ward to succeed
Mr. Charles W. Bland, resigned. Presi-
dent N. T. Patterson will probably suc-
ceed Mr. Bland as chairman of the
Finance Committee.

The Council has not only voted to
reduce the membership of the Finance
Committee, but has passed a resolu-
tion declaring that the chairman
shall not be a member of any other
committee.

Dr. J. E. Bick and family, of Brun-
swick county, will soon remove to Pe-
tersburg to live.

Tobacco primings of the new crop
sold at the warehouse yesterday for
\$5.60 per hundred pounds, which is
regarded as a fine price.

Rev. Dr. Bradford, of Danville, has
concluded his evangelistic meetings at
Dinwiddie courthouse. There were
half a hundred or more conversions.

Mr. Simon Seward, who has been
spending some weeks abroad, has re-
turned.

Mr. F. C. Eckles, an honored citizen,
and for many years engaged in the
dry goods business, died this morning
at his home on Franklin Street. He
was widely known and respected in
the community. Mr. Eckles was never
married.

PARSON BURROUGHS MAKES
COUPLE PERFORM CEREMONY.
BRISTOL, VA., September 7.—The
Rev. A. H. Burroughs, Bristol's wizard
matrimonial parson, joined a couple in

Store Closes Saturday 10 P. M.

Wise Talks by "The Office Boy"



The boss says it's all right to ring
a bell, blow in a buzzer, and even beat
tom-toms to get folks to come in and
look, provided you have the goods to
back up the look. That if you have
the right dope, the people will come
on and go out and tout your horn; but
if you haven't they will tout-out out
without the horn, and say you're not
the living picture of a man who were
so it amounts to this, that you must
tote fair with the public and give them
the best that can be bought, no mat-
ter how prices advance at the fac-
tories, for the lads don't like to hear
any hard luck stories about goods cost-
ing so much more than they did, nor
do they care to hear you say you're
selling goods at cost—just hand them
the real up-to-date duds and let it go
at that. The lads of this century are
all members of the "Wise Guy."



marriage here Thursday in double-
quick time. The young people had
eloped from Bluefield, W. Va., and were
anxious to get the first train back.
The parson had to hurry downtown
for the license, and when he returned
he found that the time was too short
to undertake to say the ceremony and
fill out the certificate and collect the
indispensable "m" bill. He fell upon a
novel plan. Handing the couple a copy
of his ceremony, he requested them to
read it over aloud, he agreeing to ask
their assent to the vows as they read,
and at the same time fill out the mar-
riage certificate. They barely caught
the train.

MARTIN PUT UNDER BOND.

Charge Against Park Policeman Will
Be Investigated Later.

D. W. Martin was in the Police Court
yesterday morning charged with be-
ing disorderly in Monroe Park. He was
required to give \$100 security for his
good behavior for six months.

The defense tried to show that Park
Policeman D. W. Walton was intoxi-
cated at the time of Martin's arrest,
but the justice refused to hear any
evidence along this line, saying that
Walton was not on duty.

SEVEN WORKMEN INJURED BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SALISBURY, N. C., September 7.—
Seven colored employees of the T. A.
Gillespie Company, contractors at
Whitney, Stanley county, were injured
yesterday afternoon by the explosion
of a box of dynamite on the canal
where the workmen were engaged.
The men were hurled a considerable
distance in the air, and all had a
miraculous escape from death. All of
the men are improving to-night, and
it is believed will recover.

MAN'S BODY WASHES UP AT CORONER'S DOOR

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
PHOEBUS, VA., September 7.—With
a great bullet hole in the forehead, the
body of George Porter, a negro, was
washed ashore in front of the home
of Dr. Vanderville, the county coroner,
yesterday morning. Porter went out
in a boat with another negro named
Henry Beazley several days ago and
Beazley returned alone, to tell a story
of how the boat had been capsized and
Porter drowned. Beazley was held for
a day or two by the authorities and
then released. He will be rearrested
and tried for the murder of Porter.

HAYS VALUABLE JERSEY CATTLE.

FIDELICKSBURG, VA., September 7.—
T. B. Lewis, the wealthy owner of the
"Lewisiana" farm on the Rappa-
hannock River, below this city, has
just received another consignment of
valuable Jersey cattle from the herd
of T. L. Cooper, of Pennsylvania.
Hon. William F. Stone, collector of
customs of the port of Baltimore, made
the trip aboard by steamer from Balti-
more to this city with a party of ladies
this week, and returned to Baltimore
from here by rail.

MAX BOLT TICKET IN HENRICO COUNTY

Talk About Courthouse of an In-
dependent Candidate at No-
vember Election.

JOIN REPUBLICAN FORCES

Mr. Puller Denies Being a Mem-
ber of the "Political Ma-
chine" of Richmond.

Henrico county courthouse was a
popular place yesterday, and although
court was not in session and no public
business was transacted, there was a
large attendance of the voters of the
county, who came to meet each other
and talk over the recent election and
to surmise as to future political align-
ments in the county.

There were a number present who
suggested the possibility of running
an independent candidate for the posi-
tion of treasurer, to oppose Mr. Henry
C. Hechler, and although nothing de-
finite has been done, it is known that
several hard workers are feeling the
pulse of the people in the county to
see how such a proposition would be
received. It is expected that certain
the Republicans will nominate an op-
position ticket in one district of the
county, and they may put up one or
more candidates for the general offices
in the county. The anti-Hechler
talk of joining with the Republicans
in a bolt for the election of some man
of strength not as yet mentioned in
the fight.

It is not regarded as probable that
either of the three districts will bolt
for the treasurership will bolt the
ticket, as all three are regular old-
line Democrats. Whether the talk
of an independent candidate comes to
anything or not, and there is very lit-
tle that is tangible as yet, there are
certainly a number of Democrats in
the county who will scratch Mr. Hech-
ler's name on the ticket in the Novem-
ber election.

Who Will Lead?

Mr. Hechler polled 441 votes out of
the 1,326 cast in the primary, consid-
erably less than a majority, and the
consolidated vote of any two of the
other candidates would have defeated
him.

The judge is spending his vacation
at Warrenton, Va., and has as yet ex-
pressed no public opinion as to the
outcome of the election. He will be
here on September 25th to open a spe-
cial term of the Henrico court.

Should an independent Democrat be
nominated for the treasurership, and
secure the endorsement of the Repub-
licans, the Hechler forces would have
a warm fight on their hands, and an
independent candidate is no new thing
in Henrico politics. The question of
leadership for the independent forces
remains to be settled, and it is possi-
ble that a public meeting will be held
to consider the matter some time soon.
Opinion at the courthouse yesterday
was divided as to the outcome of such
a movement.

Election Regular.
Many expressed the belief that the
nomination of Mr. Hechler had been
entirely regular, that no complaint had
been made as to the conduct of the
primary, and that Mr. Hechler was the
choice of the people, and therefore
entitled to the position.

Democratic committee has received no
complaint of the conduct of the elec-
tion, although the candidates have
ten days in which to make such com-
plaint and petition for a recount. It
is said that at one meeting two
negroes were voted, but both were
land-owners and tax-payers, and both
pledged themselves to vote the Demo-
cratic ticket in the general election.
While the plan distinctly calls for a
white primary, it is not thought that
this case would be seriously consid-
ered by the committee, since neither
negro was brought forward by any
special candidate, and it is not known
for whom they voted.

Former Republicans.
A defeated candidate said yesterday
that in Fairfax District three of the
men elected as justices of the peace
were former Republicans, one of
whom, Squire George W. Thomas, had
held an important office under a Re-
publican administration.

Mr. Thomas was an magistrate
under a Democratic administration for
many years, however, and it is not
thought that any serious complaints
can be made to his re-election.

A more difficult proposition is pre-
sented in Fairfax District where
C. H. Graves defeated Mr. J. H. Trainer,
for overseer of the poor by five votes.
Mr. Graves is an employee of the Fed-
eral government, having a position at
the legislative primary recently held.
State law cannot hold two positions
simultaneously. The duties of over-
seer of the poor consist of burying
the pauper dead of the county and in
purchasing and distributing rations
for the outdoor poor. If Mr. Graves
retains his position with the national
government, the committee will no
doubt declare his election forfeited, and
give the nomination to Mr. Trainer.

Mr. Trainer has a long record with
some of the voters yesterday. Treas-
urer Frayser admitted that it was the
jail matter which had beaten him.
"The people of the county never under-
stood about the jail," said Mr. Frayser.
"I do not think they have any idea how
long we wrestled with that problem
in the Board of Supervisors and in
committees."

"The old jail was falling to pieces,
the back wall having partially parted
from the sides. The jail was filthy and
unsanitary, with no modern conveni-
ences. We got bid after bid on remodel-
ing it, and found that a patch work
job, to make it habitable, would cost
thirty thousand dollars, while a brand-
new jail, according to the latest plans
in jail-building, would cost but fifty
thousand, and the city would pay a
part of that if the deal could be closed
before the summer."

Mr. Frayser said that he knew the
building of the jail, and the increase
of the county's indebtedness, had been
unpopular moves in the county, but
that the court had practically forced
the issue, and that he had no choice.
Witt forced the City Council in Rich-
mond to build a new structure.

A curious commentary on the Hen-
rico situation is the fact that the voters
of the county hold Mr. Frayser, who
was chairman of the Board of Super-
visors, responsible for the construction
of the new jail, with the expense that
movement entailed.

Mr. Frayser has forgotten, however, that
Mr. Witt was chairman of the board
when the old county jail was built,
and that a failure from the start, and
which was torn down inside of ten
years by order of the court, after one
prisoner had been killed by a fall through
the walls, and others had had fever as
a result of its unsanitary provisions.

Mr. Puller's Denial.
In regard to an interview with Mr.
L. H. Kemp, the newly-elected sheriff,
published yesterday, in which Mr. Kemp

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CHILDREN'S FLOWER BED CONTESTS

LETTER-CARRIERS
TO BUILD A HOME

On Monday evening the fourth an-
nual inspection of children's flower
gardens will be held under the aus-
pices of the Civic Improvement League.
This most excellent work was inaugu-
rated four years ago by The Times-
Dispatch, which furnished flower seeds
for the first contest. The succeeding
contests were provided for by the
Civic Improvement League, so The
Times-Dispatch gave prizes and ar-
ranged means for the committee to
visit the flower gardens. This year,
in accordance with its regular custom,
The Times-Dispatch has again offered
prizes, and, through the courtesy of
Mr. A. A. Blenner, one of his handsome
automobiles will be supplied the com-
mittee who will inspect the children's
work. All who desire to have their
gardens inspected must send in their
names, either by postal or on a coupon
which will be found in this paper, to
The Times-Dispatch before midday
Monday. The work is one of great
value to the city of Richmond, and is
both healthy and helpful for the chil-
dren. The effect of the flowers has al-
ready been made manifest in the city
of Richmond, and the continuance of
this custom of planting flowers should
be stimulated and encouraged by all
parents and citizens.

WOMAN STARTS ON PICNIC;
DROWNS IN CREEK.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
STAUNTON, VA., September 7.—Mrs.
Eugene Comer, of near Fishersville,
was found drowned in a small creek
near her home this morning. She had
gone to her father's house nearby to
accompany the family on a Sunday-
school picnic. She had been melan-
choly for some time. She leaves her
husband and three small children.

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Indian Fighter Entertains.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BRISTOL, VA., September 7.—Cap-
tain Jack Crawford, the Indian fighter,
scout, poet and frontiersman, enter-
tained immense audiences at the Bristol
Chautauqua Thursday night and
Friday. His lectures proved immensely
popular, and his description of his first
experiences in New York City and his
first taste of grand opera was so rich
in its humor that the audience fairly
went wild when he reached the climax.

Charleston to Trieste.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WASHINGTON, September 7.—The
fact that a permanent steamship line
is to be established this coming win-
ter between Charleston, S. C., and
Trieste, Austria, is conveyed in a let-
ter to the Bureau of Manufactures
from a business concern in the former
place. Importers at Trieste of various
lines of merchandise are registered at
this bureau.

Services at St. James.
St. James Episcopal Church having
been completed, the services have been
resumed in the church as usual, at 11
A. M. and 5 P. M.

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